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**WRIGHT STATE UNIVERSITY
FACULTY SENATE MINUTES
Monday, March 4, 2002**

Minutes reviewed by University Faculty President Virginia Nehring March 13, 2002.
Final review by Dave Sauter, Registrar, March 13, 2002.

I. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by University Faculty President Virginia Nehring at 2:30 p.m. in E156 Student Union. The Faculty Senate meetings are being broadcast via videoconference to Lake Campus.

Senators: (those present **in bold**) **Baker, B., Coleman, J., Crites, G.,** (Scodo, K. in for Curry, D.), **Dobbins, J.,** Donahoe, M., **Endres, C., Fitzgerald, E., Garner, N., Goldenberg, K., Goldfinger, M., Grandhi, R., Kerr, E.,** Kremer, R., **Mamrack, M., McGowin, A., Mirkin, D., Moore, P., Nehring, V.,** Pringle, D., Rowley, B., **Rutter, E., Sav, T., Sayer, J., Schlagheck, D., Self, E., Steffan, M.,** Towne, B., **Vance, J.,** Walker, J., **Wenning, M., Wilcox, N., Wolff, M.**

II. Approval of the Minutes:

The minutes of the February 4, 2002 meeting were approved as written (Attachment C to agenda).

III. Reports:

A. President's Report: Kim Goldenberg

- The new University Librarian, Dr. Stephen Foster, starts July 15, 2002. He helped Central Michigan University library to become a leader in using distance education to complement the curriculum.
- Youngest lawmaker in U.S. is Derrick Seaver. He was the first teen legislator in the Ohio House of Representatives and is a student at Lake Campus.
- Best Ethics Bowl Team in the nation, WSU students won eighth national event, defeating 35 other universities. Dr. Joseph Petrick, Professor of Management, trained and coached the team.
- National Limelight in Theatre, students took first place in the U.S. Institute of Theatres technology and design competition. Professor Donald David directs the program.
- The search committee will soon provide President/Provost with list of finalists for Dean of College of Science & Math; hope to name new dean within the month.
- Dr. J. Chang, a clinical professor and oncologist, received the American College of Physicians Award for analyzing the cause of fever in cancer patients.
- State budget: An agreement between the governor and the 15 university presidents to cap tuition at 10% next year, with some modifications is in effect with the proviso that no other changes occur in the state budget in the next few months.
- WSU will decide on next year's tuition in May 2002, after the Supreme Court rules on K-12 funding and the state budget is clear.

Questions:

- Dr. Goldfinger asked Provost Moore about the space report, (1) who recommended the consulting firm, (2) cost of the report, and (3) what the results of the plan will be. Provost Moore responded: (1) The Division of Business and Fiscal Affairs recommended the firm. This firm had experience with the Ohio Board of Regents. (2) The cost was in the range of \$39,000. (3) When the final report is submitted, he will explore report conclusions with deans and chairs. Report is part of a larger planning effort which sets aside approximately \$500,000 to do an analysis of laboratory space. This current report would be

part of the larger review. More discussions are needed regarding the report throughout the year. Provost Moore was not comfortable with the projected space requirements in the report. He questions whether all involved were contacted regarding their projections for the next five years. He is more interested in current needs as noted in the report based on current enrollment and research expenditures.

- Senator Vance asked President Goldenberg regarding the potential WSU tuition increase. President Goldenberg responded that the university started some “what if” scenarios, but stopped the dialogue until information from the Supreme Court and state budget is known.
- Senator Vance asked to what extent the Board of Trustees is being guided by the decade old tuition policy, referring to being in the middle of the tuition scale of the four year public institutions. President Goldenberg responded he did not think the Board was being guided by that policy. The Board would like to see the range of tuition increases settle down before commenting on the previous Board’s approach regarding the middle area.
- Dr. Wolff asked for information regarding the additional tuition for incoming students at Ohio State University and Ohio University. President Goldenberg responded they were the only two institutions who asked for a two-tier tuition increase, freshmen vs. continuing students. They will be capped, but in the two tier system. WSU has not been inclined toward this approach.

B Executive Committee: Faculty President Virginia Nehring

- Reviewed calendar and the Constitution

Committee Reports

C. Calendar & Elections – Grant Hambright

- Refer to survey handout – Attachment AA
- Overriding purpose of survey was to get faculty feedback on the fall quarter issue to have finals before the Thanksgiving break. Sample calendars, frequently asked questions, and a list of other quarter system universities and their fall start/end dates was included with the survey.
- Out of 715 faculty, 95 responded (13%); this is fairly typical.
- Quantitative review highlights -- Question 1: 63% in favor, 5% neutral, 31% not in favor of change to early quarter. Question 2: 41% in favor, 13% neutral, 21% not in favor of an 8 week summer term. 25% indicated they did not support the fall term change.
- Questions 4-6 solicited demographic information from survey respondents: 46% of the respondents provided additional qualitative input in the survey’s Comments Section.
- Based on survey results, Student Government input, and discussions within the Calendar & Elections Committee, the committee recommends the changes be made in the fall term calendar to allow for exams to be completed before Thanksgiving break.
- Motion for Faculty Senate to share the results of this survey with the Administration and the AAUP was approved.

Old Business:

A. New Program: Minor in Biological Sciences – Tom Sav

- See Attachment A to agenda
- Approved

B. Program change: Major in Medical Technology changed to Clinical Laboratory Science – Tom Sav

- Approved

C. Constitutional changes – Dan DeStephen

- See Attachment B to agenda – Column 1 is original document, Column 2 contains the revisions initially presented at the November 2001 meeting, Column 3 contains the feedback from the February meeting and independent feedback. Column 3 contains the suggested amendments.
- The Constitution was discussed section by section with approval votes at the end of each section. The discussion proceeded through Article III, Section 8, ending on page 27 of Attachment B.
- Changes were made and approved as follows:
 - Preamble: Insert the word “cosmopolitan” in the document to read as in original
 - Article II, University Faculty, Section 1,A. Membership – delete item 3 in column 2 to read as in original; delete item 4 in column 3
 - Section 3, B. Conduct of Meetings – insert in column 3 to read circulated by the secretary of the faculty “president” to each member
 - Section 4, B, 2, a. Officers -- delete column 3 (p.12)
 - Article III, Faculty Senate, Section 4, F. Constituencies – delete column 2 (new D); amendment to read “The constituencies of the Faculty Senate will be as follows:” (list constituencies without numbers) (p. 20)
 - Section 8, B. Conduct of Meetings – retain column 3 but add to the end of column 3 all wording currently in column 1 starting after (8) Adjournment which begins “Items of new business ...”; – change wording in column 3 to read “(5) Written Committee minutes including attendance role and a report on Board of Trustees committee meetings.
 - Also in column 3 change “(6) Unfinished Business” to read “Old” Business. (p.25)
 - Section 8, C – delete 2 in column 3 (p.26)

IV. **New Business**

None

V. **Announcements:**

A. Next Faculty Senate meeting is April 1 at 2:30 pm in E156 Student Union

VI. **Adjournment:**

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 pm.